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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLN. NUMBER: 10/151841-1 Not Yet Assigned
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER: PCT/JP2003/007876	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: 20 JUNE 2003 (20.06.2003)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: 21 JUNE 2002 (21.06.2002) JP
TITLE OF INVENTION: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING INFORMATION PROCESSING PROGRAM RECORDED THEREON, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Toru HIBARA; Koichi HASHIMOTO; Michael MEHIGAN		
Applicant hereby submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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ITEMS 11 to 20 BELOW CONCERN OTHER DOCUMENT(S) OR INFORMATION INCLUDED:		
<p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter2 and 35 USC 1821 - 1825</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4)</p> <p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4)</p> <p>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: TRANSMITTAL LETTER; TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO U.S. DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371; INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION NUMBER: WO 2004/001580 A1 WITH ENGLISH TRANSLATION, INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION DATE: 31 DECEMBER 2003 (31.12.2003), WHICH CONSISTS OF 74 PAGES; 2 PAGES OF THE COVER SHEET WITH THE ENGLISH ABSTRACT, 39 PAGES OF TEXTUAL SPECIFICATION, 9 PAGES OF 25 CLAIMS, 1 PAGE OF AN ABSTRACT, 23 SHEETS OF DRAWINGS; EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY; EXECUTED ASSIGNMENT WITH RECORDATION COVER SHEET; INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; PTO FORM-1449 WITH SIX (6) CITED PRIOR ART REFERENCES; PCT/ISA/210 IN ENGLISH AND JAPANESE; PCT/IPEA/409 IN JAPANESE; PCT/IB/304; PCT/IB/308; PCT/IB/332; POSTCARD FOR EARLY NOTIFICATION OF SERIAL NUMBER.</p>		

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<p>17. <u>x</u> The following fees are submitted:</p> <p>Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5): (to include Basic National Stage Fee, National Stage Search Fee, and National Stage Examination Fee)</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482).....\$750.00</p> <p>No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)).....\$790.00</p> <p>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO.....\$1,110.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) IPEA-U.S.....\$ 100.00</p> <p>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</p>		CALCULATIONS \$ 1,000.00	PTO USE ONLY																																																					
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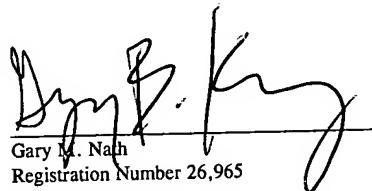
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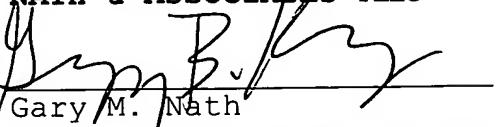
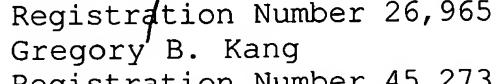
Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

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 - 2 Pages of the Cover Sheet with the English Abstract,
 - 39 Pages of Textual Specification,
 - 9 Pages of 25 Claims,
 - 1 Page of an Abstract,
 - 23 Sheets of Drawings;
- (3) Executed Inventor's Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (4) Executed Assignment with Recordation Cover Sheet;
- (5) Information Disclosure Statement;
- (6) PTO Form-1449 with Six (6) Cited Prior Art References;
- (7) PCT/ISA/210 in English and Japanese
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- (12) Check No. 2260 \$ 1,490.00 for basic filing fee, search fee, examination fee, extra claims fee, extra independent claims fee, and recordation fee;
- (13) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

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